

## Department of Environmental Health & Safety Biosafety & Biosecurity

# ASU FACT SHEET Animal Personnel Safety

#### Introduction

The Department of Animal Care & Technologies, ASU Health Employee Health, and the Department of Environmental Health and Safety have developed this fact sheet to summarize the training requirements for personnel working with animals at ASU. The training programs referenced in this fact sheet will help personnel substantially reduce, and possibly eliminate, the potential for exposure to biological and other hazards associated with handling animals or animal bedding.

### <u>Training</u>

All personnel who work directly with animals must complete the required on-line IACUC <u>training</u> prior to working with animals. Please contact your supervisor to determine if additional specialized training is required for your job duties. Examples of specialized training modules that are available for ASU personnel are provided below. Please refer to the EH&S <u>Training Determination Tool</u> for additional training opportunities.

- Anesthetic Gas Safety Training
- Animal Biosafety Training
- Authorized Driver Training
- Comprehensive Biosafety Tri-University Training
- Compressed Gas Cylinder Safety Training
- Ergonomics for DACT Training
- Fire Safety and Prevention Training\*\*

- Fighting Heat Stress Training
- Hazmat and Dangerous Goods Receiving Training
- Hazardous Waste Management Training
- Laboratory Safety Training
- NIH Guidelines Training
- Non-Human Primate Training
- Radioactive Materials Training

\*\* Indicates that the training is mandatory for all ASU employees.

## Medical Surveillance

ASU Employee Health maintains a medical health surveillance program for individuals who work with animals at ASU. Please contact ASU Employee Health at 602-496-1917 for questions regarding animal allergies, medical surveillance, healthcare treatment, or other related questions. Significant incidents or problems involving research animals must be reported to the facility supervisor, the Attending Veterinarian at 480-965-4386 and the Institutional Biosafety Officer or Animal Biosafety Officer at 480-965-1823.

## Incident Reporting

Whenever someone is injured or becomes ill from work-related incidents, the Arizona Department of Administration requires the following forms to be completed in order to process Worker's Compensation Claims:

Employer Report of Injury Supervisor Incident Report

#### **Supplemental Information**

It is intended that the Principal Investigator (PI) and supervisory personnel will supplement this information with instruction and guidance regarding specific practices and procedures unique to the work being done in their facilities.

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